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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 27 November 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Liberia (S/1996/962)***

Western Sahara (S/1996/913)

Haiti (S/1996/813 and Add.1)

Other matters

Morning*	3715th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (S/1996/959 and Corr.1)

Morning**	3716th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Prevention Deployment Force pursuant to Security Council resolution 1058 (1996) (S/1996/961)

Morning***	3717th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Liberia

   Twentieth progress report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia (S/1996/962)

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* Following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole
** Following the adjournment of the 3715th meeting.
*** Formal meeting possible following the adjournment of the 3716th meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

GENERAL COMMITTEE

9.15 a.m. 3rd meeting Conference Room 4

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-first regular session of the General Assembly and allocation of items [8]:

(a) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by a number of countries (A/51/232);

(b) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by a number of countries (A/51/233).

10 a.m. 67th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity [42]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/386);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.19).

2. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization [26]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/265 and Add.1);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.7/Rev.1).

3. Elimination of coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion: draft resolution (A/51/L.23) [159].

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 22nd meeting Conference Room 3

3 p.m.-6 p.m. 23rd meeting Conference Room 3

1. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [84] (A/C.4/51/L.12 to L.16, L.17* and L.18)

2. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [85] (A/C.4/51/L.19, L.20, L.21/Rev.1, L.22, L.23/Rev.1)

3. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects [86] (A/C.4/51/L.9, A/C.4/51/L.24)

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.-1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on all outstanding draft proposals*: A/C.2/51/L.12 (item 95 (a)), A/C.2/51/L.14 (item 94 (d)), A/C.2/51/L16 (item 94 (c)), A/C.2/51/L.18 (item 96 (f)), A/C.2/51/L.21 (item 96 (b (ii)), A/C.2/51/L.24 (item 94 (a)), A/C.2/51/L26 (item 94 (b)), A/C.2/51/L.27 (item 99 (a)), A/C.2/51/L28 (item 94 (b)), A/C.2/51/L.30/Rev.1 (item 12) and A/C.2/51/L.38 (item 95 (b))

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* Draft proposals will be taken as they are ready.

3 p.m.-
3.30 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the following draft proposals: A/C.2/1/L.23 (item 96) and A/C.2/51/L.15 (item 96 (e))

3.30 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on all outstanding draft proposals*: /C.2/51/L.12 (item 95 (a)), A/C.2/51/L.14 (item 94 (d)), /C.2/51/L16 (item 94 (c)), A/C.2/51/L.18 (item 96 (f)), A/C.2/1/L.21 (item 96 (b (ii)), A/C.2/51/L.24 (item 94 (a)), /C.2/51/L26 (item 94 (b)), A/C.2/51/L.27 (item 99 (a)), /C.2/51/L28 (item 94 (b)), A/C.2/51/L.30/Rev.1 (item 12) and /C.2/51/L.38 (item 95 (b))

* Draft proposals will be taken as they are ready.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 54th meeting Conference Room 1

. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.56, L.60, L.62, L.65 and L.71/Rev.1

. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.40, L.59, L.61, L.63, L.66 and L.69

. Comprehensive implementation and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [110 (d)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.67

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 55th meeting Conference Room 1

. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [110 (b)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.39 (programme budget implications in A/C.3/51/L.51) and L.70/Rev.1

2. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [110 (c)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/51/L.41, L.53, L.64 and L.68

Introduction of, and action, on draft decision A/C.3/51/L.43 and draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.44

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 33rd meeting Conference Room 2

1. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations [140] (A/48/622, A/48/912, A/49/654, A/49/906 and Corr.1, A/49/936, A/50/684, A/50/797, A/50/907, A/50/965, A/50/976, A/50/983, A/50/985, A/50/995, A/50/1009, A/50/1012, A/51/389, A/51/646, A/C.5/50/51 and A/C.5/51/8)

Continuation of general discussion

2. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [116]

(a) Revised estimates resulting from the resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council (A/C.5/51/20)

Continuation of general discussion

(b) Budget for the International Seabed Authority (A/C.5/51/21 and A/51/7/Add.2)

Introduction

3. United Nations common system [121] (E/1993/119 and Add.1, A/50/30 and Add.1, A/C.5/50/23, A/51/30, A/C.5/51/24 and A/C.5/51/25 and Corr.1)

General discussion

4. United Nations pension system [122] (A/51/9 and Corr.1, A/51/644 and A/C.5/51/4)

General discussion

5. Human resources management [120] (A/51/656)

Introduction

Informal consultations

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Pattern of conferences (A/51/32, A/51/125, A/51/253, A/51/268 and Corr.1, A/51/337 and A/C.5/51/22))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	48th meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	49th meeting	Conference Room 4

1. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country [149] (A/C.6/51/L.14)

2. United Nations Decade of International Law [145] (A/C.6/51/L.6/Rev.1; L.11 and L.13)

3. Convention of the law of the non-navigational uses of international watercourses [144] (A/C.6/51/L.3,L.4, L.5, L.16)

4. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [150] (A/C.6/51/L.18 and L.20)

5. Establishment of an International Criminal Court [147] (A/C.6/51/L.10)

6. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-eighth session [146] (A/C.6/51/L.17)

7. Progressive development of the principles and norms of international law relating to the new internatinal economic order [152] (A/C.6/51/L.19)

8. Measures to eliminate international terrorism [151] (A/C.6/51/L.15/Rev.1)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

United Nations Environment Programme

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 27 November 1996

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: global financial integration)

9.30 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

ASIAN GROUP: WORKING GROUP ON CANDIDATURES

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: food and agricultural development, external debt, commodities and other outstanding resolutions)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GROUP

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77
(Fifth Committee matters)

1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE
(at the ambassadorial level)
(briefings by: a) the Under-Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development on the Special session of the General Assembly on agenda 21; b) the President of the General Assembly, and c) the Chairman of the Fifth Committee)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT
(on General Assembly plenary agenda items)

3.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 29 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

3 p.m.	68th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Question of Palestine [35]:

(a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/51/35);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/678-S/1996/953).

Committees

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SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	37th meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	38th meeting	Conference Room 3

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	56th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	57th meeting	Conference Room 1

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/51/3 (Part II), Chapter V, Section F) (item 12)

Informal soundings on the question of the participation of non-governmental organizations in all areas of the work of the United Nations will be undertaken by H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), on Monday, 2 December 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold a solemn meeting from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, 29 November 1996, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to commemorate the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 32/40 B of 2 December 1977. All Member States, United Nations bodies and agencies and ob-servers are invited to attend.

Screening of films

On the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of a series of films from Friday, 29 November to Thursday, 5 December 1996, in the Dag-Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium, at 1 p.m.

Exhibition

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United Nations, will present a Palestinian cultural exhibition entitled "Preserving the Legacy, A New Dawn of Hope" on the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People. The exhibition will be displayed in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building from Friday, 29 November, to Thursday, 5 December 1996.

The formal opening of the exhibition is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Friday, 29 November 1996, in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Ad Hoc Informal Open-ended Support Group to assist the Commission for Social Development in the preparations for the International Year of Older Persons in 1999 will meet on Monday, 9 December 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Items on the agenda for the meeting include an introduction on general aspects of the Year, national efforts in preparation of the Year (delegates are invited to provide inputs) and preparations by non-governmental organizations for the Year. All delegations are invited to participate.

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Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA

The seventh meeting of the ad hoc open-ended working group on rules of procedure of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Population Fund will be held on Tuesday, 10 December 1996, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(Fourth Committee matters: questions relating to information)* on Monday, 2 December 1996, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Briefing

There will be a special briefing for interested members of the Fifth Committee on post adjustment issues for the professional and higher categories of staff in the common system by the Secretariat of the International Civil Service Commission on Friday, 29 November 1996, following the adjournment of the 34th meeting of the Fifth Committee in Conference Room 5.

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Round table

The International Peace Academy (IPA) and the Permanent Mission of the United Republic of Tanzania to the United Nations will hold a round table with Mwallmu Julius Nyerere, former President of the United Republic of Tanzania and currently Facilitator of the Burundi Peace Talks, on Tuesday, 3 December 1996, from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Seminar

The Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations will hold an Open-ended Seminar on Promotion of South-South Cooperation, chaired by H.E. Mr. Owada, Permanent Representative of Japan, on 6 and 7 December 1996. The Seminar will be held on Friday, 6 December, from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Rooms A and B, and on Saturday, 7 December, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Trygve Lie Rooms A and B, at the U.N. Plaza Hotel. Members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

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Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at *3 p.m.* on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of November, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 22 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 49th meeting

Human rights questions: [110]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

(c) Human rights situations and report of special rapporteurs and representatives;

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Rwanda, Singapore, Yemen, Ukraine, Pakistan, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Greece.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of the sub-items.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft proposals A/C.3/51/L.37 and L.38

The representative of Uruguay orally revised draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.37.

The representative of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) then withdrew its amendment to draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.37 contained in A/C.3/51/L.38.

The Chairperson announced that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Azerbaijan should have been listed as an original sponsor to A/C.3/51/L.37 and that, as Jamaica was sponsoring the draft resolution on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group of States, Nicaragua, Uruguay and Venezuela should be deleted from the list of sponsors.

It was also announced that Albania, Andorra, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Estonia, the Guinea Bissau, Iceland, Monaco, Mongolia, Mozambique, Poland, the Republic of Moldova, San Marino, Senegal, Sri Lanka and the United Republic of Tanzania had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Afghanistan, Burundi, the Central African Republic, the Congo, Hungary, India, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Lesotho, Nepal, the Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Sierra Leone, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Togo joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of Colombia, Burkina Faso, Uruguay and Mozambique.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, by acclamation.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Malta, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union) and Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of document A/51/424).

The Committee concluded its consideration of the item.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [108]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.23/Rev.1

The Chairperson announced that the revised draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

A statement was made by the representative of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Committee then adopted the revised draft resolution without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.27/Rev.1

The Chairperson announced that the revised draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary made a statement correcting the list of sponsors of the revised draft resolution. Costa Rica should be followed by an asterisk indicating its sponsorship on behalf of the Group of 77 and China; the asterisk after Mexico should be deleted.

Turkey and The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia joined as co-sponsors of the revised draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the revised draft resolution without a vote.

The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of document A/51/427).

The Committee concluded its consideration of the item.

Human rights questions: Implementation of human rights instruments [110 (a)]

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.33

It was announced that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

The representative of Denmark further orally revised the draft resolution.

It was announced that South Africa, Poland, San Marino, Argentina, Costa Rica, the Côte d'Ivoire and the Republic of Moldova had joined as co-sponsors.

The representative of Egypt made a statement.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution as further orally revised without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of the United States made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.34/Rev.1

It was announced that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

It was announced that South Africa, Malta, Costa Rica, the Russian Federation, United States, Guatemala, San Marino, El Salvador, Spain, Ukraine, New Zealand and Ireland had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

The representative of Canada introduced oral revisions to the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution as orally revised without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of Japan made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 110(a).

Organization of work

The representative of Ireland, on behalf of the European Union, made a statement.

The Secretary made a statement.

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Turkey, Greece and Cyprus.

Tuesday, 26 November 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

65th plenary meeting

Strengthening of the United Nations system [48]

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Argentina, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Egypt and Pakistan.

The General Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 48.

Report of the Security Council (A/51/2 and Corr.1) [11]

The representative of Indonesia, in his capacity as President of the Security Council, made a statement in the course of which he introduced the report of the Security Council (A/51/2).

Statements were made by the representatives of Ukraine, Argentina, China, the Republic of Korea, the Philippines, Colombia, Austria, Italy, Malaysia, Poland, Germany and Cuba.

Announcement

The President recalled that, at its 3rd plenary meeting on 20 September, the General Assembly had decided that it would consider directly in plenary meeting Chapter V, Section F of the report of the Economic and Social Council (A/51/3).

He further recalled that Section F contained the text of Economic and Social Council decision 1996/297 entitled "Non-governmental organizations", by which the Economic and Social Council "decided to recommend that the General Assembly examine, at its fifty-first session, the question of the participation

of non-governmental organizations in all areas of the work of the United Nations, in the light of the experience gained through the arrangements for consultation between non-governmental organizations and the Economic and Social Council".

The President announced that His Excellency Mr. Ahmad Kamal, Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations, would undertake informal soundings early on this issue both with Member States and non-governmental organizations in order to make a proper determination on the methodology as well as on the substantive issue of facilitating the participation of non-governmental organizations in all areas of the work of the United Nations.

66th plenary meeting

Report of the Security Council (A/51/2) [11]

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Mexico, Nigeria, Singapore, Botswana, the United Kingdom, Brazil, Zimbabwe, Tunisia, Canada, Egypt, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Slovenia.

The General Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 11.

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 52nd and 53rd meetings

Note: The summary of the 52nd and 53rd meeting of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1996/232).

SIXTH COMMITTEE 47th meeting

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country [149]

The Chairman of the Committee, Ambassador Nicos Agathocleous (Cyprus), introduced the report of the Committee (A/51/26).

The representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union and Associated States), the Russian Federation, Cuba, the Sudan, the United States and Israel made statements.

The representative of Cyprus introduced draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.14.

It was announced that Bulgaria had joined the co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.14.

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its twenty-ninth session [148]

The representative of Austria introduced draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.7 and orally amended it. The same representative also introduced draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.8.

It was announced that Malaysia, Nepal and Bolivia had joined the co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.7.

The representatives of the United States, Viet Nam, Cuba, the United Kingdom, Cameroon, Romania, India, Slovakia and Guatemala spoke.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.7, as orally amended, without a vote.

It was announced that Japan had joined the co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.8.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.8 without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded the consideration of item 148.

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives [143]

The representative of Finland introduced the draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.12.

It was announced that Spain and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia had joined the co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.12.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.12 without a vote.

The representative of Mexico made a statement in explanation of position after the adoption of the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded the consideration of item 143.

Status of the Protocols additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts [142]

The representative of Sweden introduced the draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.9/Rev.1

It was announced that Argentina, Australia, Belarus, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Germany, Italy, Liechtenstein, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Ukraine had joined the co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.9/Rev.1.

The representative of Viet Nam made a statement.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/51/L.9/Rev.1 without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded the consideration of item 142.

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COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE
OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS
OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE 225th meeting

Consideration of draft resolutions on the question of Palestine

The Chairman made a statement. A statement was also made by the representative of Malta. The Committee adopted four draft resolutions for submission to the General Assembly.

Other matters

The Permanent Observer of Palestine and the Chairman made statements.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC,
SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Fifteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 1996

39th and 40th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties in accordance with article 16 of the Covenant [4]

The Committee began its consideration of the third periodic report of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in respect to Hong Kong (E/1994/104/Add.10). In accordance with rule 62 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

The Committee continued its consideration of the third periodic report of Finland (E/1994/104/Add.7). In accordance with rule 62 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Agreement on the Establishment of the International Vaccine Institute, opened for signature at New York on 28 October 1996

Signature: Papua New Guinea (26 November 1996)

Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, adopted on 4 August 1995 by the United Nations Conference on Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

Signature: Republic of Korea (26 November 1996)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

World Aids Day

An observance of the World AIDS Day will be held on Monday, 2 December 1996, at 3 p.m., in the General Assembly Hall, under the auspices of the President of the General Assembly and co-sponsored by the Department of Public Information, the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) and the American Foundation for AIDS Research. Statements will be made by the President of the General , the United Nations Secretary General, actress Elizabeth Taylor, TV talks show host Cristina Saralegui, Malaysian Aids Council Chairman Marina Mahathir, and Noerine Kaleaba and Martina Clark of UNAIDS. Members of delegations, non-governmental organizations, the media and staff are invited.

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